



## **OLD BUSINESS:**

### Review of the Comprehensive Plan

Town Manager, John Giles, stated that he and the members of the Town's Code Enforcement Office met with applicants of sign variances, within the past couple years or so, in order to get an idea of any obstacles they may have run into and how we might possibly make the process a little more "applicant friendly" for future applicants. He went on to say that one overall feeling of those they met with was they didn't feel as though they should have to come before the Planning Commission because they were going to essentially make the same argument to the Board of Adjustment. He then said they would come up with a report to address the issues they had and meet with them again.

Mr. Giles stated they presented Council with essentially the same report they went over in the previous Planning Commission Meeting in order to get some direction on the issues they discussed.

He said, in regards to the B & O Lane issue, the Town Solicitor determined that B & O Lane was not the Town of Elsmere's property. He then said, upon hearing that, the Mayor and Council decided they would no longer discuss the issues dealing with the road.

Mr. Giles said, in regards to the sidewalks, there was no desire on Council's part to pursue installing sidewalks where there are none in the Town. He then stated they would come up with an ADA transition plan.

Mr. Giles said that they would not be pursuing any increase to the maximum building height.

He said they decided they would pursue the possibility of selling some of the wooded areas of the Town's parks for developing.

Mr. Giles said they determined they would continue to look into lighting at the Dog Park.

He then said Council voted to convert the asphalt at Brian Martin Park into a grassy area and that the work has already commenced.

Mr. Giles went on to say that a motion was passed to work with the State in regards to creating a historic overlay within the Town.

Mr. Giles then said he would give the Planning Commission, at their next meeting, the draft of what their response to the State is regarding the Comprehensive Plan.

**ITEMS SUBMITTED BY CHAIRMAN AND BOARD MEMBERS:**

None

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Backer to adjourn. Commissioner Skipski seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** All in favor with two absent Motion Carried

At this time the meeting was adjourned.

These minutes summarize the agenda items and other issues discussed at the March 5, 2013 Planning Commission Meeting. Votes are recorded accurately. The audio tape(s) of this meeting will be available at Town Hall for a period of two years from the date these minutes are approved. The audio tape(s) may be reviewed at Town Hall by appointment and in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act.

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**CHARLES LINDELL, CHAIRMAN**

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**LEON BACKER, SECRETARY**